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SUBJECT: FMC SUSPENDS SANCTIONS ON GUATEMALAN SHIPPING

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1. PRESIDENTS OF FLOMERCA AND ARMAGUA, AND DIRECTOR OF LINEAS MARITIMAS DE GUATEMALA, TELEXED FMC JANUARY 14 STATING THAT GUATEMALAN-FLAG LINES WOULD ISSUE WAIVERS FOR ALL EXONERATED CARGOES MOVING FROM U.S. PORTS TO GUATEMALA DURING THE PERIOD JANUARY 13 TO FEBRUARY 20.

2. ON BASIS OF THESE ASSURANCES, COMMISSION VOTED JANUARY 18 TO SUSPEND ITS FINAL RULE IMPOSING SANCTIONS ON CARRIERS FAVORED UNDER DECREE 41/71. HOWEVER, THE COMMISSION INSTRUCTED FMC STAFF TO MAINTAIN CLOSE UNCLASSIFIED

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CONTACT WITH U.S.-FLAG AND OTHER CARRIERS SERVING THE U.S./GUATEMALA TRADE. IF DISCRIMINATION REAPPEARS, THE COMMISSION WILL BRING ITS FINAL RULE INTO EFFECT WITHOUT DELAY.

3. DEPARTMENT EXPECTS COMMISSION TO HOLD ITS RULE IN ABEYANCE FOR A FEW MONTHS WHILE FMC STAFF CLOSELY MONITORS

THE TRADE, AND THEN TO TERMINATE THE RULE. CHRISTOPHER

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